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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of :

Hegele-Hartung et al.

Group Art Unit: 1616

Serial No.: 10/083,685

Examiner: Barbara P. Badio

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For: **USE OF ER $\beta$ -SELECTIVE LIGANDS FOR REGULATING FERTILITY AND  
COMPOUNDS USEFUL THEREFOR**

**REPLY**

Commissioner for Patents  
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SIR:

In response to the Office Action mailed on August 7, 2003, please amend the claims as follows and consider the remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 11 of this paper.